

General Consent Calendar

August 7, 2015

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A. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Tab A

Minutes of the Utah State Board of Education meeting held June 18-19, 2015 are presented for approval.

B. Contracts

Tab B

It is proposed that the Board approve the following contracts:

1. Evaluation and Training Institute, \$947,760, 08/15/2015 to 12/31/2019

To provide independent external evaluation of the UPSTART program.

2. Multiple vendors to be determined based on RFP solicitation BC16001 process that closed July 16, 2015, \$8,000,000, 08/15/2015 to 08/14/2020

To provide a data analysis component for the USOE's chosen diagnostic assessment system for reading for students in kindergarten through grade three.

3. ESP Solutions Group, Inc., \$441,150, 09/01/2015 to 08/31/2020

To license the Vertical Reporting Framework (VRF) software for the Utah Transcript and Record Exchange (UTREx).

4. Kimono, LLC, \$850,000, 09/01/2015 to 09/01/2020

To provide Student Locator Framework (SIFWorks SLF) and Zone Integration Server (SIFWorks ZIS) software for the Utah Transcript and Record Exchange (UTREx).

5. Snapp Studios, LLC, \$1,237,518, 09/01/2015 to 08/31/2020

To provide Drivers Education training software.

6. Utah Statewide Independent Living Council, \$175,567, 10/01/2015 to 09/30/2016, Amendment

To provide resources to the Independent Living Program in accordance with federal Title VII Part B and the State Plan for Independent Living.

C. Contract Reports

Tab C

It is proposed that the Board receive the following reports: *Contracts approved by State Superintendent or USOR Director (less than \$100,000)* and *USOE/USOR Expiring Contracts with Renewals*.

D. Qualified Zone Academy Bond (QZAB)

Tab D

The State Board of Education was awarded \$2,849,000 of QZAB authorization for calendar year 2014 under 54E(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code. Qualified Zone Academy Bonds provide a financial tool that can be used by state education agencies to encourage formation of partnerships between public schools and local businesses to enhance academic curriculum, increase graduation rates, and to better prepare students for the rigors of college and the workforce. More information can be found at <http://www.schools.utah.gov/finance/A-Z-Directory/QZAB-QSCB.aspx>.

Applications were requested from qualifying LEAs in April 2015. One LEA submitted a complete application and demonstrated compliance with all eligibility criteria. The LEA has a favorable bond rating, has demonstrated a history of full utilization of their previous QZAB awards, and it is certain the LEA will be able to sell bonds under this QZAB authorization. The application substantiates a plan to utilize the bond proceeds in compliance with QZAB criteria.

It is proposed that the Board approve the awarding of the entire \$2,849,000 QZAB funds to Ogden City School District in August 2015.

E. National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) Dues

Tab E

It is proposed that the Board approve payment of NASBE 2016 dues in the amount of \$23,556, broken out as follows: \$23,406 - NASBE; \$130 - National Council of State Education Attorneys (NCOSEA); \$20 - standard subscription.

F. R277-116 Utah State Board of Education Internal Audit Procedure

Tab F

In its June 19, 2015 meeting, the Board approved amendments to R277-116 on second reading. Amendments were made to ensure consistency with the Utah Internal Audit Act, Board intent, and internal auditing standards. No substantive changes have been made since that time.

It is proposed that the Board approve R277-116 *Utah State Board of Education Internal Audit Procedure*, as amended, on third and final reading.

G. R277-406 K-3 Reading Improvement Program and the State Reading Goal Tab G

In its June 19, 2015 meeting, the Board approved R277-406 on second reading. The rule was amended to take into account the proposed approach to calculating the uniform growth goals for LEAs based on DIBELS data and student growth. No substantive changes have been made since that time.

It is proposed that the Board approve R277-406 *K-3 Reading Improvement and the State Reading Goal*, as amended, on third and final reading.

H. R277-444 Distribution of Funds to Arts and Sciences Organizations Tab H

In its June 19, 2015 meeting, the Board approved continuation of R277-444 on second reading, consistent with the Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act five-year review requirement. No substantive changes have been made to the rule since that time.

It is proposed that the Board approve continuation of R277-444 *Distribution of Funds to Arts and Sciences Organizations* on third and final reading.

I. R277-497 School Grading System Tab I

In its June 19, 2015 meeting, the Board approved amendments to R277-497 on second reading. The rule was amended to make it consistent with S.B. 245 *School Grading Amendments* (2015 Legislative Session). No substantive changes have been made since that time.

It is proposed that the Board approve R277-497 *School Grading System*, as amended, on third and final reading.

J. R277-498 Grant for Math Teaching Training Tab J

In its June 19, 2015 meeting, the Board approved continuation of R277-498 consistent with its rulemaking process. No substantive changes to the rule have been made since that time.

It is proposed that the Board approve continuation of R277-498 *Grant for Math Teaching Training* on third and final reading.

K. R277-602 Special Needs Scholarship - Funding and Procedures Tab K

In its June 19, 2015 meeting, the Board approved amendments to R277-602 on second reading. The rule was amended in response to 2015 legislation, S.B. 270 *Carson Smith Scholarship Amendments*. No substantive changes have been made since that time.

It is proposed that the Board approve R277-602 *Special Needs Scholarship - Funding and Procedures*, as amended, on third and final reading.

L. List of Educator Licenses Processed

Tab L

Summaries of the total number of educator licenses and license areas processed in June and July 2015 are provided for Board information. It is proposed that the Board receive the report.

M. Adoption of Per Diem Rates

Tab M

It is proposed that the Board adopt, in accordance with its Bylaws, the per diem rates for boards established by the director of the State Division of Finance [63A-3-106 and 107]. The rates established for FY 2016 are listed in Utah Administrative Code R25-5-4.